

LOCAL NEWS.

CITY COUNCILS.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.—This Board met last night, and several communications were received from the Mayor, announcing his approval of the following bills, viz:

"An act making an appropriation for the cleaning and watering of Pennsylvania avenue."

Also, "An act for the relief of James A. Wise."

Also, "An act for the relief of William H. Dice."

Also, "An act for the relief of John B. Nourse."

A bill was introduced in relation to erecting fire-plugs on K street. Referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. Brown introduced a bill authorizing the Mayor to provide for the cleaning and watering of Pennsylvania avenue, according to the provisions of the act appropriating \$3,000 for that purpose; which passed.

A bill was reported, providing for paying the Assessor \$1,785 for service rendered; which was passed.

A bill was reported from the lower Board, providing for the appropriation of \$750 for casual repairs in the fifth ward.

A bill for the relief of Patrick Gibbon was reported, and after discussion, passed.

A bill for the relief of John W. Carr was reported, and after a humorous discussion, passed.

A bill for the relief of John McNaughton was reported and discussed at length; passed.

A resolution was introduced by unanimous consent, in relation to the Water Purveyor, asking that all papers in relation to that officer, now on file, be referred to a special committee, who shall investigate the matter and report to this Board.

A discussion, eliciting intense interest, was called forth, and finally the resolution passed; and Messrs. Moore, Semmes, and Price, were appointed special committee.

A bill was introduced providing for the appropriation of \$425 for the relief of John Rogers & Son, of Baltimore, for repairs on the truck, &c., of the Metropolitan Hook and Ladder Company, of this city; which was passed.

Five hundred copies of the report of the Water Registrar were ordered to be printed in pamphlet form.

The joint resolution in relation to the claims of Joseph L. Lowry was reported back, with an amendment, and after a protracted debate, it was agreed to as amended.

A joint resolution was introduced in relation to laying water mains; which was referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Several bills from the lower Board were received, and referred to appropriate committees. The Board adjourned.

COMMON COUNCIL.—All the members present, except Messrs. Esby, Van Renswick, and Robertson.

A communication was received from the Mayor, announcing his approval of certain acts.

Mr. Powell presented a petition from George Schell; referred to the Claims Committee.

Mr. Burrows offered a resolution, proposing to reduce the salaries of all the Corporation officers receiving \$600 per annum or less, 25 per cent. After some discussion, it was postponed until the next meeting.

Mr. Jones, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill for the better protection of the owners of property sold for taxes. [The object of this bill is to take the place of the bill passed by this Board, that bill having been declared illegal by the Corporation Attorney.] The bill was passed.

Mr. Jones, from the same committee, also reported a bill from the Board of Aldermen, to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the issue of certificates of Corporation indebtedness." [This bill proposes that no certificates shall be for less than \$100, and that the total amount shall be \$20,000.]

Considerable discussion ensued on the passage of the bill, in which Messrs. Lammond, Jones, Morgan, and others, participated.

Mr. Morgan moved, as a substitute, that the amount of scrip to be issued shall be \$100,000, that the certificates shall be of \$10 each and upwards, and that they shall be received for all Corporation debts; lost—yeas 6, nays 12.

The question was then taken on the bill from the Board of Aldermen, and it was passed—yeas 12, nays 6.

Mr. Mohun, from the Committee on Drainage and Distribution of Water, reported an act appropriating \$364.35 for certain expenses incurred in the distribution of the Potomac water.

A long discussion ensued, in which Messrs. Edmondson, Mohun, Powell, Jones, Clark, and others, participated. It was finally passed—yeas 13, nays 6.

Mr. Mohun, from the same committee, presented a communication from the Mayor, enclosing a report from the Water Registrar; laid on the table.

Mr. Mulloy, from the Committee on Claims, reported back the bill from the Board of Aldermen, for the relief of Charles Klotz, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

After a protracted discussion, the committee was discharged.

Mr. Clark then moved to remit the fine.

Mr. Powell moved to lay the motion on the table.

Without coming to any conclusion, the Board adjourned.

LAND CONDEMNATION.—At the instance of the United States Government, for the use of the Washington aqueduct, a jury of condemnation was impaneled on the 16th instant, to assess and award the damages sustained by William Reading, Esq., in the occupation and use by the Government, for two years, of a piece of land near the mouth of Cabin John, to be used as a road, and for the erection upon it of such buildings as will be needed during the further prosecution of the work. The jury awarded twelve hundred dollars damage. On Saturday, a jury for a similar purpose was impaneled upon the lands of J. G. White, Esq. This case excited a warm contest, and was not concluded until Monday, when the jury rendered a verdict for \$910.—Rockville (Md.) Sentinel.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT AT INCENDIARISM.—Yesterday morning, about one o'clock, an attempt was made to set fire to the frame building adjoining the Naumny, on Tenth street, near G. It appears the incendiary had torn a play-bill off the wall on the alley, and pulling a piece of the weather boarding from the house, had stuffed the bill under it, and then set fire to it. Fortunately, the fire was discovered before it had made much headway. The house is occupied by a Mr. Anderson, clerk in one of our city banks. No clue of the would-be incendiary has as yet been obtained.

ATTEMPT AT BURGLARY.—About eleven o'clock, on Saturday night, a gentleman who was passing the hat store of Mr. Steinmetz, on Pennsylvania avenue, near Thirteenth street, heard some one endeavoring to break into the store by a rear door. He immediately gave the alarm, but the fellow succeeded in escaping before any one could get to the spot. The burglar had endeavored to force his way through the side of the back building, which is of frame,

with an axe, and had ripped off a plank, and knocked down a quantity of laths, when he was interrupted. No clue to his identity has as yet been obtained.

MILITARY VISIT.—The Mount Vernon Guard, of Alexandria, were yesterday morning presented with a handsome flag by the ladies of that city. Dr. H. Snowden made the presentation address, which was appropriately responded to by Captain De Vaughan, of the Guard. On one side of the flag was the stars and stripes, while on the other was the coat of arms of the State of Virginia. The staff is of Mount Vernon wood.

In the afternoon they visited our city, and called upon their former Captain, Martin Snyder, Esq., at his residence, on Eleventh street, by whom they were hospitably entertained. Captain Snyder was the first commander of this company, and this was their twentieth anniversary. They yesterday paraded forty-eight men, all of whom are true to the Union, and presented a very fine appearance.

The Union Prayer Meetings will be held every afternoon during the week, from 4.45 to 5.45 o'clock, at the E Street Baptist church.

OUT ON DRILL.—Last night, the new Zouave corps, Lieut. Powell commanding, in citizens' dress, and company G, Washington Light Infantry, Capt. Stevens, in uniform, were out on drill. Both companies maneuvered in front of the City Hall, and went through their drill in a highly creditable manner.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—At a meeting of this association last evening, the following gentlemen were elected Superintendents of the divisions:

Messrs. S. T. Morsell, John Van Santvoord, Z. Richards, R. S. Jordan, Samuel Kerr, C. H. Norton, E. B. Tucker, O. C. Wight, Dr. J. M. Noyes, and William Ballantyne. The resignations of Dr. J. H. Moore and R. B. Ferguson, who were elected Vice Presidents at the last meeting, were received, and Messrs. H. H. McPherson and J. B. Munro elected to fill the vacancies.

The President, R. T. Morsell, then presented his annual report, in which he states that 3,941 visitors had registered their names at the rooms during the year. In the library there are at present 2,622 volumes; 11 religious and 7 secular newspapers, besides 6 monthly and 4 quarterly periodicals are kept on file. The Bible class, under the charge of Rev. G. W. Samson, has been well attended during the winter. At the Asylum, preaching was regularly held during the summer months, and it is to be hoped with beneficial results. The Association has been ably assisted by the intendents, Mr. Queen, since August last, but two sermons were preached there, although tracts have been regularly distributed. The mission schools under the charge of the Association are in a prosperous condition, although he thinks that the force of the Association should be concentrated in the two schools, on Capitol Hill, and in the first ward. The deaths of two of the members, Messrs. Young and Force, are feelingly alluded to. In conclusion, he urges the Association to redouble its endeavors in the cause it has undertaken, and expresses the hope that full and complete success will reward their efforts.

After ordering the report to be printed, and making arrangements for the anniversary, the Association adjourned.

Just look at the bargains announced in another column by W. W. Burdette, Seventh street, near K. The fact is, Seventh street is going ahead so rapidly as to bid fair soon to eclipse Pennsylvania avenue, and Burdette is one of those engaged in the work of progress. He sells at astonishing low rates, but then he sells so that he can afford it.

TAKEN A PEEV.—We understand that Jeff. Davis, President of the "Southern Confederacy," has recently taken a peev in the Epiphany Church, of this city, which he intends occupying when he comes here to occupy the Presidential chair. The arrears for pew rent will amount to a considerable sum before that time, we apprehend.

A MISTAKE.—The statement published in the Republican of yesterday, in relation to the seizure of certain counterfeit money, was incorrect. The notes seized were merely notes of the "Columbia Bank," of this city, which "exploded" seven or eight years ago.

CRIMINAL COURT.—Yesterday, the case of James Hoover, alias James Rockaway, charged with an assault and battery on a small child of Henry Rockaway, was submitted to the court. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$6 and costs.

Frank Roche was then placed on trial, charged with an assault and battery on William H. Wigles. From the evidence in the case, it appeared that Wigles, who is employed by a wholesale liquor store in Baltimore, came on to this city on the fourth of March, and went into Gerhardt's lager-beer saloon, on C street, for the purpose of collecting a bill alleged to have been owing to the firm. Mr. Gerhardt denied all knowledge of owing any such bill, and ordered Wigles to leave the house, at the same time catching hold of him and pushing him into the street, where he was maltreated by a number of others, mostly members of the Turner Rifles, who happened to be in the house at the time. Wigles turned on Gerhardt and the others, and dealt them several very severe blows, and then, hearing some one shout to him to run, or he would be killed, he ran down C street to Sixth, and from thence to the avenue, where he met an officer, and claimed his protection, the others in the mean time continuing the pursuit. Roche was the foremost of those in pursuit, and when they got to the avenue, Wigles turned suddenly, and struck him. Roche and several others were then arrested, and taken to the watch-house, where a verdict of assault only.

J. Holahar was then placed on trial, charged with participating in the same assault, and found not guilty.

Joseph Gerhardt was also placed on trial, charged with the same offense. The evidence in this case was very contradictory, the testimony of some of the witnesses being exactly contrary to that of others. After a number of witnesses had been examined, it was ascertained that there was a defect in the indictment, the name of the defendant not having been spelt properly, and the trial was accordingly postponed.

Intelligence being received of the extreme illness of Mrs. Crawford, the wife of Judge Crawford, the court was adjourned until Tuesday, the 2d of April.

CENTRAL GUARDHOUSE.—Before Justice Thompson.—William James, assault and battery; fine and costs, \$5.94.

POLICE MATTERS.—Before Justice Donn.—Officer Lloyd arrested George Goldsmith, charged with an assault and battery on John Fay. He was committed to jail in default of security for court.

John Keele was arrested by Officer Bright, for profanity and disorderly conduct, and was fined \$2.94.

John Casey was arrested for being disorderly in an omnibus, and fined \$1.94.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Death of a Member of Congress.

Scranton, Pa., March 24.—Hon. G. W. Scranton, member of Congress from the twelfth district of Pennsylvania, died here to-day, at 12.45 P. M.

Georgia Convention.

Augusta, March 25.—The Georgia Convention adjourned on Saturday night, having adopted the new State Constitution.

The Virginia Convention.

Richmond, March 25.—In the Convention to-day, Mr. Bruce, in Committee of the Whole, continued his speech commenced on Saturday. He took the ground that the Morrill bill would be ruinous to Virginia, and favored presenting an ultimatum to the North, with the alternative that Virginia will secede if it be rejected.

The question was put on striking out the report of the Committee on Federal Relations, and inserting Mr. Carlile's substitute, but Mr. Wise desired to be heard, stating that he was now physically unable to make a speech. He said, however, that he occupied the middle ground, and was endeavoring to reconcile the hostile sections.

The debate continued until the recess, no vote having been taken.

Virginia Convention—Evening Session.

Richmond, March 25.—The Committee of the Whole refused to strike out the majority report, and insert Mr. Carlile's Peace Conference substitute, by 116 to 4.

Mr. Carlile moved to adjourn sine die; pending which, the Convention adjourned till tomorrow.

There is some excitement here to-night, in consequence of an order received at the Belton Foundry, from Washington, to send the guns on hand to Fortress Monroe forthwith.

Affairs in Charleston.

Charleston, March 25.—Col. Lamon arrived here yesterday, from Washington. After an interview with Gov. Pickens and Gen. Beauregard to-day, he visited Fort Sumter in company with Col. Duray. On his return he was well received, and is to have another interview with Gen. Beauregard this afternoon. He leaves for Washington to-night, and hopes to return again immediately.

Extraordinary Attempt at Bank Robbery.

New York, March 25.—A most extraordinary attempt was made last night to rob the Exchange Bank. The burglars had excavated seventy feet, and gained an entrance into the vault; but daylight having surprised them, they did not gain access to the safe. They, however, secured a tin box on top of the safe containing \$1,000. The burglars escaped, but one person has since been arrested on suspicion.

Commercial Coastwise Difficulties.

New York, March 25.—The steamer Bienville is now under surveillance by the custom-house authorities here, she not having the proper clearance under the coastwise trade act. The steamer and her cargo are liable to forfeiture.

Ship Susan G. Owens Afloat.

Charleston, March 25.—The ship Susan G. Owens, from Newport, England, with railroad iron, and which went ashore on Folly Island, about two weeks since, was got off yesterday, and towed up to the city in the afternoon. It is understood that the Owens ran ashore in consequence of the obstructions in the channel.

Fire at New York.

New York, March 24.—Canterbury Hall, a well-known concert and drinking saloon, was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is heavy, but was fully insured.

THE LATEST NEWS!

JUST received, direct from the manufacturers, the most varied and complete assortment of Gentlemen's, Ladies', and Children's Boots, Shoes, &c., we ever offered in this city.

Many of the above goods cannot be surpassed anywhere for durability, style, and neatness. We will always keep the following makes of shoes: B. Russell's, Baltimore, Md., Gents' work; Levi, Perry, & Co.'s Baltimore, Md., Ladies' work; Dickerson, Stratton, and Molleaux's, Philadelphia, Ladies, Misses, and Children's work.

It is impossible for you to get better wearing or fitting goods by leaving your measures and having them made to order.

We have several cases of Ladies and Misses' cheaper than we ever offered before: 420 pairs Ladies' Morocco Sewed Boots, \$1.25 420 do do Lined-lined Heel Slippers, 75c 320 do Misses' Sewed Heel Morocco Boots, 87c

400 do Men's Lined and Bound Shoes, 75c 400 do Men's and Boys' Hats and Caps in great variety.

We cordially invite all those who are in search of goods in our line to give us an early call, and examine our stock and prices. It is a pleasure for us to show goods; it does not incur any obligation to buy.

WINDSOR & BROTHER,
359 Seventh st., bt. 1 & Northern Market.
mar 19—1m

Odeon Hall! Odeon Hall! Odeon Hall!

The Cheapest and Best Spring and Summer Clothing in Washington can be had at **WIESENFELD & CO'S,**
Corner of Fourth and a-half street and Penn. av. Spring Overcoats and Dusters.

Elegant Dress Suits, at lowest rates,
AT WIESENFELD & CO'S.

Beautiful Business Suits, at trifling cost,
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Dress Suits for weddings,
Dress Suits for parties,
Dress Suits for best wear,
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Coats by the thousand,
Pants by the thousand,
Vests by the thousand,
AT WIESENFELD & CO'S.

Boy's Clothing for the youngest,
Boy's Clothing for all sizes,
Boy's Clothing for larger boys,
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Cheaper than the cheapest,
Finer than the finest,
Better than the best,
Are the garments,
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Save your money, as
a very few do here
Will give you a splendid outfit for summer,
If you call at
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mar 9—1f

DR. JOSEPH T. HOWARD.
OFFICE No. 366 Fifth street, between G and H streets.
dec 4—6m

DR. JOHN G. F. HOLSTON, Surgeon, Physician, and Accoucheur, No. 373 E st., north, between Ninth and Tenth sts. west. jan 3—3m

BY GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auctioneers.

HANDSOME Household and Kitchen Furniture, and Piano Forte, at Auction.—On Tuesday, the 26th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M., we shall sell, at the residence of J. E. Talbot, Esq., No. 263 Sixth street, between M and N streets north, an excellent lot of Furniture, viz:

One fine Kewwood Piano Forte, 7 octaves, made by Steinway & Son.
Mahogany Plush-covered Parlor set and Spring Chair.
Mahogany Marble-Top Dressing and other Bureaus.

Mahogany Marble-Top Side and other Tables, French Mantle Clock.

Walnut 18ft. Extension Leaf and quartered Tables Jenny Lind, Cottage, and other Bedsteads, What-not.

Fine Damask, Brocatelle, and Lace Curtains, Ornaments.

Three handsome Pier and Mantle Glasses, gilt, two of which are Oval Frame.

China, Glass, and Crockery ware, among which is a fine gold-band and figured Tea and Coffee set, Plated Castors, &c., &c.

Fine Feather Beds and Bedding, Hair, Cotton-top, and Shuck Mattresses.

Fine Tapestry, Brussels, Stair, and Chamber Carpets, Rugs.

Hall and other Oilcloths, Stair Rods.

Five Refrigerator, Butler's Tray.

Cooking and other Stoves.

A good lot of Kitchen Furniture.

With many other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms—all sums under \$20 cash; over that amount, a credit of thirty and sixty days, for notes satisfactorily endorsed, bearing interest.

GREEN & WILLIAMS,
Auctioneers.

P. S.—The House, which is a handsome three-story brick, with a three-story back-building, with a large yard, and handsomely improved, is also for sale, on a credit of six years and at a low price. If not sold, it will be for rent. Inquire on the premises, or of the subscribers.

GREEN & WILLIAMS,
mar 21—d (Star)

BY GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auctioneers.

No. 526 Corner of Seventh and D streets.

HOUSEHOLD and Kitchen Furniture at Auction.—On FRIDAY, the 29th instant, we shall sell, at ten o'clock A. M., on 1 street north, between Tenth and Eleventh west, at the residence of a gentleman declining housekeeping, an excellent assortment of nearly new Furniture, viz:

Handsome Walnut Parlor Set, covered with hair-cloth.

Walnut Whatnot, Dressing and other Bureaus.

Walnut Extension, Dining, and other Tables, Wardrobes.

Gilt-Frame Mirrors, Window Shades, Washstands.

China, Glass, and Crockery Ware, Eight-Day Clock.

Dining and other Chairs.

Brussels, Stair, and other Carpets; Hall, and other Oilcloths; Cooking, Radiator, and other Stoves.

With a good assortment of Kitchen Requisites, and many other articles which we deem unnecessary to enumerate.

Terms cash, in current funds.

GREEN & WILLIAMS,
mar 26—d Auctioneers.

BY GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auctioneers.

HOUSEHOLD, Kitchen Furniture, and Statuary, at Auction.—On MONDAY, the first day of April next, at ten o'clock A. M., we shall sell, at the residence of a lady declining housekeeping, on Fifteenth street, between G and H streets north, No. 423, a general lot of Household Furniture, viz:

Damask-Covered Sofas, Mahogany Chairs and Ottomans.

Walnut Cabinet, Etageres, and Gilt-Frame Looking-Glass.

Walnut Crimson-Covered Gothic Chairs, large and small.

Walnut Side, Dining, and other Tables, and Cane-seat Chairs.

Mahogany Centre Tables, and Spring-Seat Rockers.

Painted Wardrobes, Bureaus, and Washstands.

Cottage Bedsteads, and Walnut Writing Desk, high top.

Landscape Oil Paintings (Oval Frame) and Engravings.

Bronze Statue of Charles of England.

Plaster Busts of Hiram Powers and Martin Tupper.

Feather Beds, Bolsters, Pillows, and Blankets.

Veil, Ingrain, and other Carpets.

Hall, Steps, and other Oilcloths, Matting.

Radiator, Air-Tight Cook, and other Stoves.

Handsome worked Fire-Screen and Statue of Fidelity.

Fine Collection of Books, Historical and other Works.

Hack Mattresses, Lounges, and Rush-seat Chairs.

China, Glass, and Crockery Ware.

A Lot of Kitchen Requisites.

And many other articles, too numerous to mention. Terms cash.

GREEN & WILLIAMS,
Auctioneers.

P. S. The House is for rent. Inquire on the premises.
mar 26—d

BY GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auctioneers.

EXTENSIVE Sale of an Excellent Assortment of Household and Kitchen Furniture, Piano Forte, Stool, and Cover, &c.—On THURSDAY, the 28th inst., we shall sell, at the residence of a gentleman declining housekeeping, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., on Ninth street, No. 453, one door south of F street, a large and excellent assortment of Furniture, viz:

Excellent Rosewood-case Piano Forte, Stool, and Cover, 7 octaves, made by Rosenkrantz.

Fine Velvet-covered Parlor Set.

Mahogany and Walnut Hair-cloth Sets.

Fine Castor, Rocking, and Reception Chairs.

Fine Marble-top Walnut Centre, Side, and other Tables.

Fine Marble-top Dressing and other Bureaus and Sideboards.

Fine Walnut Bookcase and Secretary, 14ft. Extension Table.

Grandiose and Mantle Ornaments, Painting and Engravings.

A large lot of China, Glass, and Crockery Ware, and Plated Castors.

Fine Feathered Cottage Chamber S-ts.

Feather Beds, Hair and Shuck Mattresses.

Cottage and other Bedsteads, Bedding.

Washclosets and Wardrobes.

Window Shades and Pictures.

Cane and Wood-ratt Chairs.

Hearts, Brussels, and other Carpets.

Oilcloth and Matting.

Heath Rugs, Stair Rods, Oil Crash, and Clocks.

Cooking, Radiator, and other Stoves.

With an excellent lot of Kitchen Requisites, and many other articles which we deem unnecessary to enumerate.

Terms cash, in bankable funds.

GREEN & WILLIAMS,
mar 23—d (Star) Auctioneers.

BY GREEN & WILLIAMS, Auctioneers.

Auction of Splendid Furniture.

THE subscribers offer at Public Sale, on WEDNESDAY, the third day of April next, at ten o'clock A. M., the entire Household and Kitchen Furniture of Mr. John Calvert, in his former residence, No. 261 I street, (First Ward), between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets, of this city, lately occupied by Capt. John Withers, Assistant Adjutant General United States army.

The Furniture in Rosewood and Walnut was made to order in Philadelphia; the Carpets and Mirrors imported from France, and consists in part of—

Parlor Sets in Rosewood.

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